A.—**Sri T. SIDDALINGAIYA** (Minister for Education and Public Health).—

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The general policy in all cases is to appoint officers suited to each appointment.

(*c*) The first part of the question is not clear. The reply to the second part is in the negative.

(*d*) It is a matter of opinion. Government did not consider it necessary or desirable to restrict the selection for the post to any particular class or cadre of officers.

(*e*) The office of the Director of Public Instruction was not vacant at all hitherto. That of the Vice-Chancellor had been filled up as a temporary measure.

Medium of Instruction in the University.

*Q.—178. **Sri D. M. SIDDAIYA** (Mysore District—General).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether Kannada can be the medium of instruction in our University; what has happened to the resolutions passed by the Senate that Kannada should be the medium of instruction in the year 1950; the progress made in that direction ?

A.—**Sri T. SIDDALINGAIYA** (Minister for Education and Public Health).—

This question was considered by the University Council on 21st February 1948 and it was resolved that this be deferred pending the decision of the Government of India on the medium of instruction to be adopted in the Universities and the standardisation of scientific terminology.

The proposal of the Joint Additional Advisor to the Government of India regarding medium of instruction at the University stage was considered by the University Council at their meeting held on 19th February 1949 and it was resolved that the recommendation of the University Commission be awaited.

The report of the University Commission will be considered by the Inter-University Board (India) at a special meeting and further action will be taken after the opinion of the Inter-University Board is known and orders of Government of India are received on the report of the Universities Commission.

Progress of literacy under Adult Education.

*Q.—179. **Sri D. M. SIDDIAH** (Mysore District—General).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) the amount spent on adult education; the progress made; the percentage of literacy before introducing this scheme and after in the State in general, and Mysore District in particular;

(*b*) its relationship with the Department of Education ?

A.—**Sri T. SIDDALINGAIYA** (Minister for Education and Public Health).—

	Year		*Amount spent* Rs.	
(*a*)	1941-42	...	3,353	
	1942-43	...	22,533	
	1943-44	...	70,640	
	1944-45	...	1,26,545	
	1945-46	...	4,38,748	
	1946-47	...	4,67,026	
	1947-48	...	4,90,322	
	1948-49	...	5,18,483	
	1949-50	...	5,00,000	Grant given by Government.
	Total	...	26,37,650	

Year	*No. made literate in the State*	*No. made literate in the Mysore District*
1941-42 ...	Figures not available	...
1942-43 ...	Do	958
1943-44 ...	7,076	1,057
1944-45 ...	13,638	1,868
1945-46 ...	50,817	5,740
1946-47 ...	44,265	4,863
1947-48 ...	38,211	5,157
1948-49 ...	34,022	4,261
1949-50 ...	Figures not available.	
Total...	1,88,029	23,904

The percentage of literacy in the State in 1941 was 13 for the State and 11·9 for Mysore District. Information regarding present percentage is not available.

(*b*) The adult education work is conducted by the Mysore State Adult Education Council which is a non-official organization getting grant-in-aid from Government. The Director of Public Instruction or any other officer of the Education Department deputed by him carries out inspections periodically and the accounts of the Council are audited by the Financial Branch of the Education Department.

Improvement in Agriculture.

*Q.—180. **Sri D. M. SIDDIAH** (Mysore District—General).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) the improvement brought about in agriculture;

(*b*) how much produce the "Grow More Food" campaign has actually brought out, the amount spent for the working of the scheme; how much is spent in the Mysore District ?

*A.—**Sri T. MARIAPPA** (Home Minister).—

(*a*) The main lines of agricultural improvements are :

(i) Research and investigation relating to soils, crops, crop pests and diseases, processing of agricultural produce.

(ii) Imparting knowledge of improved agriculture by establishment of agricultural schools and colleges and practical training centres.

(iii) Extending the results of research conducted in laboratories and experimental farms to the cultivators' fields by propaganda, demonstrations, exhibitions, etc.

(iv) Enabling the raiyats to practise improved agriculture by creating facilities for distribution of improved implements, improved seeds, manures and fertilisers, and

(v) Intensifying food production.

Measures have been taken to bring out improvements under all these heads

(*b*)	*1946-47*	*1947-48*	*1948-49*
	Tons	Tons	Tons
	46,177	42,544	52,202
(i)	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
	7,09,279	10,58,903	10,49,112

(Includes subsidy on the sale of manures and transportation and other incidental charges on seeds and manures, cost on staff, subvention to seed growers).

	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
(ii)	63,614	78,819	1,03,540

Punishments under the Anti-Corruption Drive.

*Q.—182. **Sri D. M. SIDDIAH** (Mysore District—General).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

how many were punished as a result of the anti-corruption drive, etc.?

*A.—**Sri T. SIDDALINGAIYA** (Minister for Education and Public Health).—

One hundred and twenty-one persons have so far been punished; of these two are menials.

Encouragement to small industries and cottage industries.

*Q.—183. **Sri D. M. SIDDIAH** (Mysore District—General).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) the encouragement given to the small industries and cottage industries by them;

(*b*) whether Khadi as a national industry is thriving well in the State;

(*c*) the remuneration given to the workers in the Khadi Centres in general and Badanval Spinning Circle in particular ?